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Four days of island-wide fundraising for Cas di Glas



Siomara, DJ 101 and Jean Carlo are out of their see-through, glass prison. Last Sunday, a little after 6 p.m., Minister of Public Health and Sports, Richard Visser, released the three deejays from the Cas di Glas (House of Glass), the home in which they were locked this past Wednesday evening. Amid cheers and applause they stepped onto the stage, where they received flowers and kisses for the fantastic effort they have made to get funds for a breast cancer screening unit.

This unique fundraising, which held the entire island

in thrall during the past four days and five nights, has generated almost AWG. 150.000,--. This amount, however, is not the total by any means as quite a lot of donations are still pending. Also the sms numbers of the phone companies as well as the bank deposits made during the weekend still need to be added before the overall amount donated is known.

The ladies of the Koningin Wilhelmina Kankerfonds were still collecting money on Sunday evening.

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Whirlwind spotted on Aruba



Yesterday morning, Arubans were astonished to see something very unusual on the island. A whirlwind, not a tornado fortunately, was visible for a short time. A tornado is "a violently rotating column of air, in contact with the ground, either pendant from a cumuliform cloud or underneath a cumuliform cloud, and often (but not always) visible as a funnel cloud." A low level disturbance over the Eastern Caribbean continues to influence the local weather, it will increase showers and/or thunderstorm activity over parts of the island. These showers will be capable of producing heavy rain locally which could result in flooding over roadways and low lying areas. Furthermore, due to the light to gentle wind flow from the West-North-west seas will rise somewhat on the West and Southern coasts of our islands and owners of beach facilities and swimmers should be aware of this event.

Brazilian clown wins seat among the politicians

SAO PAULO, Brazil (AFP) - Brazil's incoming Congress decided from weekend elections will have to make room for a colorful new member: a professional clown who won the most number of votes of any of them.

Tiririca, a 45-year-old television humorist whose real name is Francisco Oliveira, scooped up 1.3 million votes in Sunday's polls to represent Sao Paulo, the highest number of votes for any federal deputy across the country.

His TV campaign ads, featuring him dancing around in a tiny hat and multi-colored outfit with a cheesy smile,

were easily the most irreverent spots in the lead-up to the general elections.

"It couldn't get any worse. Vote for me," was his campaign slogan, which were followed by a number of riffs tapping into public cynicism about politics.

"What does a federal deputy do? I have no idea -- but vote for me and I'll let you know," went one of his ads.



"Vote for me as federal deputy so I can help the needy -- especially my family," he said in another.

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Europe on alert after attacks warning

PARIS, France (AFP) - Japan and Sweden yesterday became the latest countries to issue travel alerts for their citizens amid growing fears of a major Al-Qaeda attack on landmark sites in Europe.

Tokyo and Stockholm joined Washington and London in issuing an alert warning of a "possible terrorist attack" in Europe by Al-Qaeda and affiliated groups.

The US State Department said in its alert on Sunday that attackers may use "a variety of means and weapons and target both official and private interests" in Europe.

Britain immediately backed the US alert and warned its own citizens of a "high threat of terrorism" in France and Germany.

Sweden's foreign ministry called on Swedish travellers to the rest of Europe to be on alert "in public places, in and around public buildings, at tourist attractions, on public transport and in other places with large crowds."

Japan urged citizens to exercise caution at government and police facilities, public transport systems and tourist spots.

US channel Fox News, cit-

ing unnamed intelligence officials, said militants had a list of targets in France and Germany, including Paris's Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame Cathedral, Berlin's Brandenburg Gate, the city's central railway station and the Alexanderplatz TV tower.

Fox cited a senior Western intelligence official as saying that the information about the target list was provided by "a German-Pakistani national interrogated at Bagram Air Base in Afghanistan."

The Eiffel Tower, France's most-visited tourist attraction, was twice evacuated last month because of telephoned bomb warnings.

White House spokesman Robert Gibbs said the travel advisory pertained solely to Europe, but said US authorities remained vigilant regarding

the American homeland.

"We clearly know that Al-Qaeda and its affiliates seek to do us harm and attack us here. We remain vigilant," he said.

A small number of soldiers patrolled as usual at the foot of the Eiffel Tower yesterday as long lines of visitors waited to climb the tower, a magnet for many of the 74.2 million visitors to France last year.

Though there were no visible signs of heightened security, some tourists said they felt more vigilant than usual.

Germany's interior minister warned against "alarmism" about the threat, saying there were "no indications of imminent attacks in Germany."

Thomas de Maiziere told reporters in Berlin there was a "high abstract threat" and that all leads were being investigated with "high intensity."

Two ETA members received training in Venezuela

MADRID, Spain (AFP) - Two suspected members of the armed Basque separatist movement ETA arrested in Spain last week have said they received weapons training in Venezuela, a court document

released yesterday showed.

During police questioning following their arrest the two detainees, Juan Carlos Besance and Javier Atristain, said they took part in the training course in July and August 2008, according to court papers obtained by AFP.

The course involved training in marksmanship, disassembling and cleaning guns and communicating in code, they said. It was offered by other ETA members in Venezuela as well as Chilean and Venezuelan citizens.

The two said they also met with Arturo Cubillas, who is thought to be the ETA representative for Venezuela and other Latin American countries, while in Venezuela.

Cubillas was given a senior post in the administration of Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez in 2005.

ETA members still receive training in Venezuela, the two suspects added during police questioning, according to the court papers.

Belgium plunges into political unknown as talks fail again

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AFP) - Belgium plunged into the political unknown yesterday after a new effort to form a coalition government fell apart as the divided country's Flemish and French-speaking leaders failed to bridge a gulf.

Flemish nationalist leader Bart De Wever declared the end of negotiations among seven political parties that have dragged on for more than three months since elections in June failed to produce a government.

"This story is over. Let's

stop floundering," De Wever said, referring to the talks, adding that any fresh negotiations with his New Flemish Alliance (N-VA) should "return to square one."

The number two of the main francophone party, Socialist politician Laurette Onkelinx, slammed the N-VA's decision as "unacceptable."

"It is a lack of civic spirit from the N-VA to interrupt the formation of a government in this way and plunge the country back into chaos," she said.

The three main francophone parties, Socialists, CDH and the Greens, issued a joint statement to denounce the Flemish leader's statement as "irresponsible" and a "unilateral" break of the negotiations.

An earlier round of talks led by French-speaking Socialist leader Elio di Rupo also reached a dead end in early September, prompting King Albert II to appoint mediators in a bid to resurrect negotiations.

Dutch anti-Islam MP' hate speech trial adjourned

AMSTERDAM, The Netherlands (AFP) - The hate speech trial of Dutch anti-Islam MP Geert Wilders was adjourned for 24 hours shortly after opening in Amsterdam yesterday as he called on the judges to recuse themselves on the grounds of bias.

"We will now retire to consider" Wilders' application, said judge Frans Bauduin, the chairman of a special panel of judges hastily convened to hear the recusal bid that interrupted Wilders' trial.

A ruling on the recusal is to be made at 2:00 p.m. today, said Bauduin.

Wilders, 47, risks up to a year in jail or a 7,600-euro fine for calling Islam "fascist" and likening the Koran to Hitler's Mein Kampf.

He is charged with five counts of giving religious offence to Muslims and inciting hatred and discrimination against Muslims and people of non-Western immigrant origin, particularly Moroccans, in comments made between October 2006 and March 2008 in Dutch newspapers and on Internet forums.

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Minister Hooyboer-Winklaar attends Quintessence Breastfeeding Challenge

Organized by Fundacion Pro Lechi Mama



On October 2, Minister of Economic Affairs, Social Affairs and Culture, Michelle Hooyboer-Winklaar officially initiated the Quintessence Breastfeeding Challenge. The goal of this event is to get as many mothers as possible to breast feed their children simultaneously around the world.

On Aruba, the Fundacion Pro Lechi Mama, also joined this effort. A total of 24 Aruban mothers participated at the event, which took place at the Wilhelmina Park. The goal of this event is to make the Aruban community in general, and mothers in particular, aware that a mother's breast milk is the best nutrition for a baby. By organizing this event, the Fundacion Pro Lechi Mama wants to emphasize that mothers do not need to be ashamed or

afraid to breastfeed in public, because the well being of the child is what matters.

The foundation members gave Minister Hooyboer-Winklaar a presentation of their plan for next year. The minister, on her part, expressed, that she is evaluating how to better assist this foundation in their effort to instill the importance of breastfeeding. She has great respect for the members because they are working on a voluntary basis, while the foundation runs solely on donations by private businesses and companies. Minister Hooyboer-Winklaar promised that she will talk to her colleagues to incorporate the foundation on this list.

Photos show moments of the Quintessence Breastfeeding Challenge.

Four days of island-wide fundraising

Siomara, DJ 101 and Jean Carlo released from their glass prison!

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In the past few days, the Cas di Glas, House of Glass, was without any doubt the main attraction of the Renaissance Marketplace in front of the CILO City Lounge. The three deejays were locked inside. There they received guests, did countless interviews, assisted in shaving heads for serious money, gladly endured makeovers and massages, graciously accepted cheques and cash and they played music, lots of music. Minister Richard Visser, thanked them for their amazing efforts before letting them out of jail.

The Cas di Glas trembled and shook this past week, sometimes with the sheer force of the live bands, which performed in one long, unending line-up of outstanding local and international talent, sometimes with emotion, as stories about breast cancer were heard and the suffering and terror shone through during the interviews with cancer victims, survivors and their family members. Siomara was in tears as she descended the steps of the Cas di Glas – she wept together with the cancer victims that she interviewed these past days and the emotions got the better of her now that her ordeal was past.

Last Saturday evening a pretty, courageous woman had her hair shorn off for AWG. 2.000,-; she did this in loving memory of two family members who had died of breast cancer. The fire brigade donated a cheque, companies and



their staffers donated money, restaurant crews donated their tips, banks came through, service clubs saw the need and pitched in, there were countless gifts to be raffled or sold, sponsoring of material and necessities to get the Cas di Glas going, there were donations from people who drove past the Cas di Glas, from a little girl who emptied her piggy bank for Cas di Glas, from a handicapped boy who collected AWG. 1.000,- single-handedly, the massages were donated and a private party generated loads of money, in short: Aruba got together big-time!

The Cas di Glas has made Aruba richer with the memory

of an amazing happening, an out-of-this-world success which made not only the house of glass, but the entire island tremble. Nobody will soon forget the superb reunion of popular Dedhalavie after 28 years, the goose bumps when the Belgian tenors of Rockenbach opened their mouths, rousing Tsunami in action, the fantastic D'licious show, the break dance kids and international stars like Mulato, Juan Carlo Lucas, Lincoln Ward and Intwine, who all sang their hearts out free of charge for our good cause. We just named a few here, there were lots and lots more...

Aruba was one big, beating heart this past week. The Cas di Glas 2010 was unforgettable.

Two systems being watched in the Atlantic

MIAMI, Florida -- Forecasters are watching two disturbances in the Atlantic that don't pose much of a chance of becoming tropical cyclones yet but will bring heavy rains to the Caribbean in the short term.

Shower and thunderstorm activity continues in association with an elongated area of low pressure located over the northeastern Caribbean sea and the Leeward Islands. Upper-level winds are expected to become marginally conducive for development as the disturbance moves west-northwestward at around 10 mph.

There is a low chance -- 20 percent -- of this system be-

coming a tropical cyclone during the next 48 hours. Regardless of development, locally heavy rains are possible during the next day or two over the Leeward Islands, the Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico and Hispaniola.

A smaller area of low pressure about 1,000 miles east of the southern Windward Islands is producing limited shower and thunderstorm activity. Upper-level winds are not conducive for development and there is a low chance -- 10 percent...of this system becoming a tropical cyclone during the next 48 hours it moves north-westward at around 10 mph.

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"Back to Black" opens at Ateliers '89



Drawing instructor Moritz Ebinger and mural of San Nicolas by the entire class

Aruba's center for the training and encouragement of artful expression, Ateliers '89 in Oranjestad, conducted a festive evening on Sunday, October 3, to reveal the latest results from their video and drawing workshop conducted over the previous month.

International award-winning Aruban artist Ryan Oduber conducted a video workshop, and guest mentor, Moritz Ebinger from Holland, worked with 14 students in drawing and murals. The theme, "Back to Black" stimulated the students to look back

to the beginnings of film and the basics of drawing to rediscover the dramatic imagery possible without color.

This was particularly evident in the 30 second videos, which focused on the construction of image, and required the students to be clean and economical in their story telling; a worthwhile exercise in learning to get to the point. The films were made without sound, allowing the additional experience of adding music and sound effects afterwards to dramatize the action on the screen. Ateliers '89 founder

Elvis Lopez expressed his gratitude to well known local singer Jairo Boekhoudt for working with the students on this aspect of film production.

Moritz Ebinger and his students produced a number of works in pencil, charcoal and

India ink, as well as adding color on occasion. One of the most exciting pieces work as a pair; two room-sized murals depicting aspects of Aruba's major areas, San Nicolas and Palm Beach, which are displayed on opposing walls and were created in unison by the entire class. One of the students, Tizalee Zimmerman, a top-seeded tennis player on the international youth circuit, inspired the project. The murals were completed as a sort of tennis game, with the student bouncing back and forth between the two works in progress, adding their contribution based on the youthful impressions of their surroundings.

The results of this last workshop will be on display at the art center located at Dominicanessenstr 34, in Oranjestad, through the end of the next workshop, which begins on November 11. Sculptress Telka Dodewaard will be conducting classes for one month titled "Plastic Fantastic." Moritz Ebinger will also continue with an advanced drawing program focused on



Appreciation for Jairo Boekhoudt and his contribution

creating drawings in 3 dimensions. Workshops are Mondays through Thursdays from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. for ages 14 and up. Those interested in visiting the exposition or participating in a workshop can call the center at telephone 565-4613.

by Rosalie Klein

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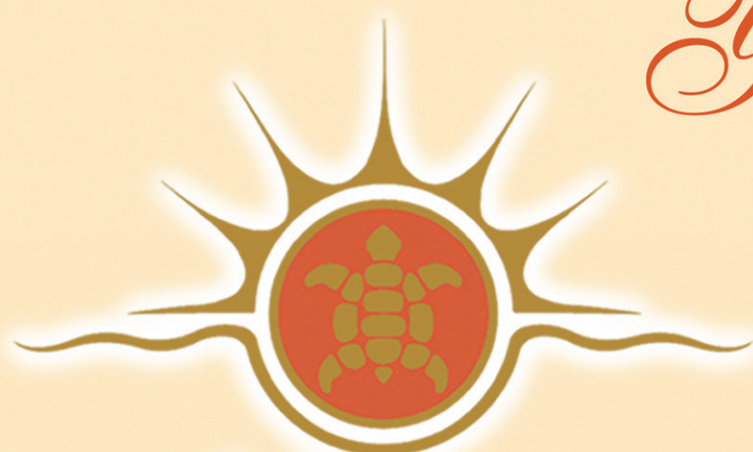
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Athlete of Special Olympics and Centro Man na Obra receive free tickets to watch Best of the Best Maltin Polar Taekwondo Cup



Recently, a representative of Brazil Taekwondo, Mrs. Xiomara Mohamed, visited the foundations, Centro Man na Obra and Centro Duna un Man where she delivered entrance tickets for the “Best of the best Maltin Polar Taekwondo” event, which took place on the weekend.

The clients of the foundations were very happy with this invitation; they had the chance to watch and give support to Aruba’s best athletes who

competed against athletes from Curacao, USA, Holland Suriname, French Guyana and Venezuela. Needless to say that the clients of the “Centro Man na Obra” enjoyed themselves immensely.

Photo shows Mrs. Mohamed handing the tickets over to Netty Williams, of the Centro Man na Obra in presence of Tuyo Werleman, President of the Special Olympic Committee; and the ‘special athletes’ ready to go to the big event.



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daily: 5.30 - 8.45
matinee: 2.15
late show: 11.45

Toshiba to Launch No-glasses 3D TV This Year in Japan

Toshiba is readying two 3D televisions that can produce images with the illusion of depth but don't require the user to wear glasses, it said Monday. It will launch the televisions in Japan in December. By dispensing with glasses, the TVs answer a key complaint of would-be buyers -- but they won't come cheap.

Toshiba will offer a 12-inch model and a 20-inch model.

3D TVs can simulate depth because they deliver a slightly different image to each eye. In current 3D TVs, images for each eye are displayed rapidly one after the other. Filters in the glasses flash on and off in sync with the TV picture so the right eye sees one image and the left eye sees the next.

Toshiba's new TVs have a thin sheet of small lenses in front of the display. This splits light from the screen and sends it to nine points in front of the TV. If the viewer sits in one of these sweet spots they get the 3D illusion.

The nine spots should enable several family members to watch a 3D image at the same time.

Similar technology is used in Nintendo's recently announced 3DS handheld gaming device. The 3DS has a screen from Sharp and sends the image to just one spot -- something that isn't a problem with a handheld.

Toshiba unveiled the new TVs on the eve of the Ceatec electronics show. At the event the company is also demonstrating the same glasses-less technology on a 56-inch prototype TV.



Japanese electronics company Toshiba unveils the world's first 3D television that does not require viewers to wear special glasses, called the "Regza GL1 Series", at a preview at Ceatec, Asia's largest electronics trade show in Chiba, suburban Tokyo today.

First test tube baby 'delighted' at Nobel for IVF pioneer

LONDON (AFP) - The world's first test tube baby said Monday she was "delighted" that Robert Edwards, the pioneering scientist who made her birth possible, has been awarded the Nobel Prize for Medicine.

Louise Brown, in a joint statement with her mother Lesley, said: "It's fantastic

news, me and mum are so glad that one of the pioneers of IVF (in vitro fertilisation) has been given the recognition he deserves.

"We hold Bob in great affection and are delighted to send our personal congratulations to him and his family at this time."

Louise's birth in 1978 was the first to stem from the groundbreaking work of Edwards and Patrick Steptoe, a gynaecologic surgeon.

She is now a mother herself, having given birth by natural means.

Although Edwards, now 85, is too frail to give interviews, his wife Ruth said the family was "thrilled and delighted" at the honour.

"The success of this research has touched the lives of millions of people worldwide," she said.

"His dedication and single-minded determination despite opposition from many quarters has led to successful application of his pioneering research."

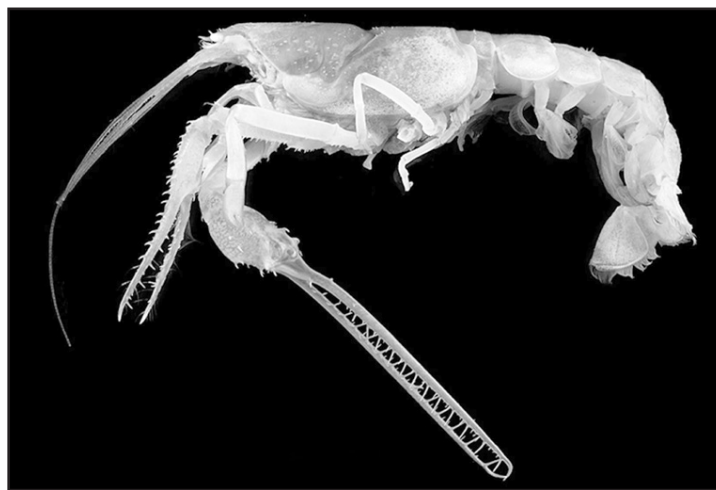
Edwards and Steptoe, who died in 1988, developed IVF technology in which egg cells are fertilised outside the body and implanted in the womb.



LEGEND OF THE GUARDIANS: THE OWLS OF GA'HOOLE (KIDS/FAM)

SOREN, IS A YOUNG OWL ENTHRALLED BY HIS FATHER'S EPIC STORIES OF THE GUARDIANS OF GA'HOOLE, A MYTHIC BAND OF WINGED WARRIORS WHO HAD FOUGHT A GREAT BATTLE TO SAVE ALL OF OWL KIND FROM THE EVIL PURE ONES. WHILE SOREN DREAMS OF SOMEDAY JOINING HIS HEROES, HIS OLDER BROTHER, KLUDD, SCOFFS AT THE NOTION,

AND YEARNS TO HUNT, FLY AND STEAL HIS FATHER'S FAVOR FROM HIS YOUNGER SIBLING. BUT KLUDD'S JEALOUSY HAS TERRIBLE CONSEQUENCES--CAUSING BOTH OWLETS TO FALL FROM THEIR TREETOP HOME AND RIGHT INTO THE TALONS OF THE PURE ONES. NOW IT IS UP TO SOREN TO MAKE A DARING ESCAPE WITH THE HELP OF OTHER BRAVE YOUNG OWLS. TOGETHER THEY SOAR ACROSS THE SEA AND THROUGH THE MIST TO FIND THE GREAT TREE, HOME OF THE LEGENDARY GUARDIANS OF GA'HOOLE--SOREN'S ONLY HOPE OF DEFEATING THE PURE ONES AND SAVING THE OWL KINGDOMS VERY DIFFERENT FROM REDEMPTION.



An undated handout photo showing a blind lobster with bizarre chelipeds belonging to the very rare genus *Thaumastochelopsis*, previously known only from four specimens of two species in Australia. Results of the first-ever global marine life census were unveiled on October 4, 2010 in London revealing an unprecedented view of life beneath the waves after a decade-long trawl through the murky depths. The Census of Marine Life estimated there are one million-plus species in the oceans, with at least three-quarters of them yet to be discovered. (AFP PHOTO)

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Health & Living

Russia unveils plan to ban public smoking by 2015

MOSCOW (AFP) — Russia plans to cut its army of smokers -- up to 80 percent of its men -- with bans on advertising and smoking in public places, it revealed in a policy statement posted Monday on the government website.

"Between 350,000 and 500,000 people die in Russia each year as a result of consuming tobacco," said the hard-hitting policy statement, which was signed last month by Prime Minister Vladimir Putin.

Up to 80 percent of men smoke in some regions, and up to 47 percent of women, the report said. Smoking rates among women and minors have tripled in the last five years.

The government plans to ban advertising and promotion of cigarettes from 2011 and to introduce a complete ban on smoking in enclosed spaces, as well as in "medical, sports and cultural institutions" by 2015.

Tobacco advertising was banned on radio and television in 1996 but is prevalent in

glossy magazines -- including campaigns specifically aimed at young women -- and in the metro, airports and rail stations.

Smoking is permitted in most bars and restaurants, which also sell cigarettes.

Russia plans a "gradual increase" on taxes on tobacco to reach average European levels by 2015. It currently has some of the cheapest cigarettes in the world, at around 40 rubles (1.31 dollars) per pack.

Taxes are now only five rubles per pack, but could rise to around 50 rubles by 2015, Dmitry Yanin, one of the strategy's authors, was quoted as saying in Vedomosti business daily on Monday.

The state statistics agency said in December that more than 17 percent of deaths in 2009 were caused by smoking.

Russia in 2008 ratified the World Health Organisation Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, signed by more than 100 countries since it was adopted in 2003.

Garlic



Garlic has many health benefits -- it reduces blood pressure and also reduces the risk of infection and illness.

How much to eat?

Two to three cooked cloves of garlic are recommended. If taken in tablet form two to three 300mg tablets are recommended. People on anti-coagulant drugs should only take garlic under medical supervision.

Key benefits

Garlic has many health benefits -- it reduces blood pressure and also reduces the risk of infection and illness. It may help to reduce the risk of heart disease. It may also reduce the risk of cancer.

Garlic is most beneficial if eaten raw. Fierce cooking that disperses the garlic oil will reduce the benefits.

Brain Stimulation Can Affect Which Hand You Favor

In what might one day help victims of stroke and other brain injuries, researchers have found that the two sides of the brain instantaneously 'negotiate' which hand to use for simple manual tasks.

That means, say the researchers, that before picking up a cup of coffee or pushing an elevator button, the right and left sides of the brain -- each of which controls the opposite appendage -- decide which hand is best suited for the impending activity.

"By understanding this process, we hope to be able to develop methods to overcome learned limb disuse," study co-author Richard Ivry, a University of California, Berkeley, professor of psychology and neuroscience, said in a news release.

The team's observations stem from work with 33 right-handed volunteers, noting that although 80 percent of people are right-handed, most are able to use either hand to execute simple tasks that don't require fine motor skills.

All the participants allowed the posterior parietal cortex re-

gion of their brains to be artificially activated by so-called transcranial magnetic stimulation (TMS).

By monitoring patient movement with a 3-D motion-tracking system and fingertip sensors, the authors found that after applying TMS to the left side of the right-handers' brains (which controls the motor skills of the right side of the body), the participants favored the use of their left hand over their right.

The authors said that it remains unclear why the brain engages in such a competitive decision-making process to begin with. But by doing this, "you're handicapping the right hand in this competition, and giving the left hand a better chance of winning," study author Flavio Oliveira, a Berkeley postdoctoral researcher in psychology and neuroscience, noted in the journal news release.

This demonstrated that TMS can be effective at brain manipulation, an achievement that could ultimately be used to treat patients struggling with motor control.

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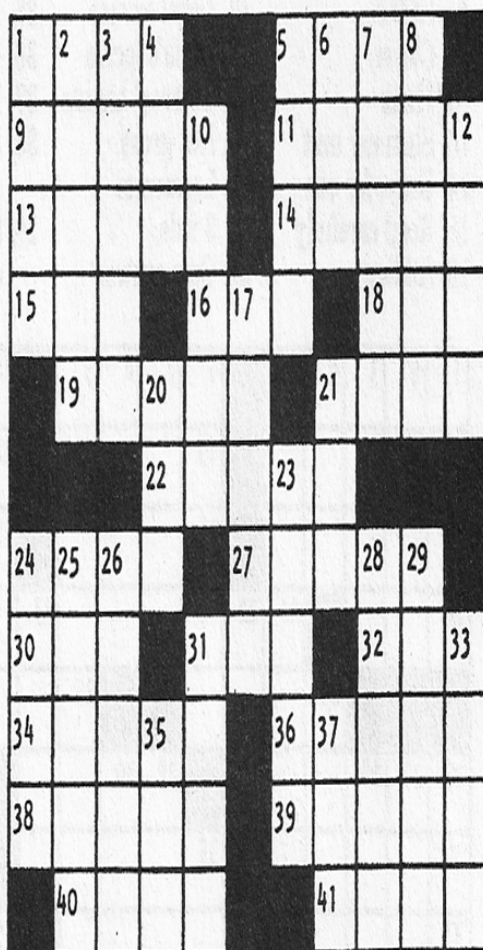
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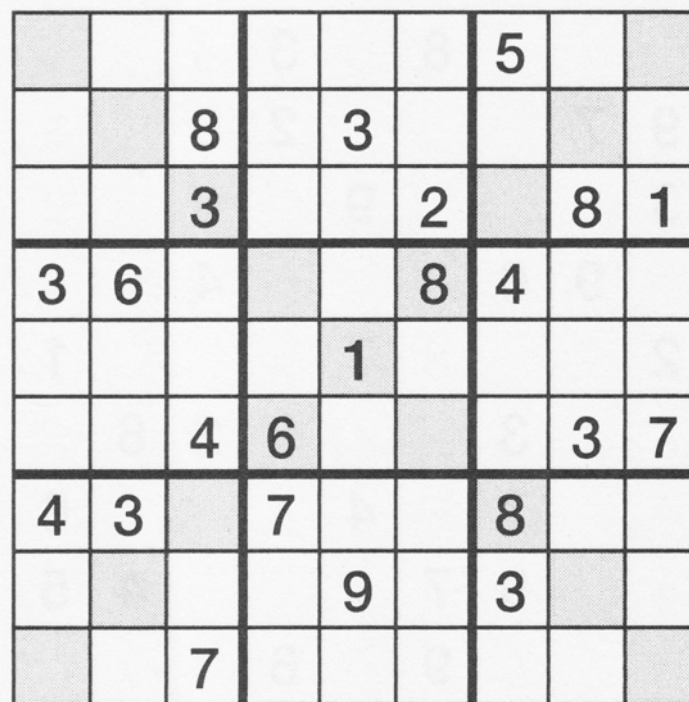
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American Express hit with US antitrust lawsuit

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - US authorities yesterday filed a lawsuit against American Express for allegedly imposing unfair restrictions on merchants that use its cards, the credit card company said.

American Express is accused of unfairly trying to prevent merchants from using other credit cards.

"The government's lawsuit claims that terms of American Express merchant contracts, which protect card members against discrimination and disruption at the point of sale, violate US antitrust laws," it said in a statement.

The Justice Department had also reached settlements over similar charges with American Express rival MasterCard.

"The terms of the settlement were announced late yesterday," MasterCard spokesman Jim Issokson told AFP in a statement.

But American Express

vowed to fight the charges.

"We have no intention of settling the case," AmEx chief executive Kenneth Chenault said. "Whatever the intent, the government's new approach would hand an unfair advantage back to Visa and MasterCard."

"The antitrust lawsuit filed today against the company is a significant retreat from previous Department of Justice efforts to promote competition in the payments industry," the statement said.

"The government's one-sided remedy would put more power in the hands of Visa and MasterCard, the networks that steadily increased prices for credit card transactions over the past decade, that control over 70 percent of the market and that have ten times as many cards as American Express."

AmEx shares sank four percent on the news.

Canada warns of drop in wheat, canola yields

OTTAWA, Canada (AFP) - Canada is expecting a significant drop in wheat and canola production this year after cold and rain delayed seeding in its vast Western prairie provinces, Statistics Canada announced yesterday.

Wheat production in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta provinces is expected to fall 18.5 percent from last year to 20.0 million (metric) tons, while canola yields are to drop 16.3 percent to 10.3 million tons, the government agency said.

Nationwide, total wheat production is expected to fall to 22.2 million tons while canola falls to 10.4 million tons.

The estimates are based on a September survey of 14,000 Canadian farmers. Firm harvest numbers are to be published in December.

Total barley production is also expected to fall to 8.2 million tonnes, while soybean production is forecast to reach a new high of four million tonnes after rising steadily over the past three years.

China unbending on yuan as Europe woos Asia

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AFP) - China stood firm yesterday on refusing to let the yuan appreciate as Europe sought a stronger global role with Asia's emerging giants at a summit representing more than half the world's population.

European Union leaders offered trade and diplomatic perks to Asian nations at the opening of a two-day Asia-Europe Meeting of 46 nations while insisting on the need for the yuan to be revalued.

But Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao, first non-EU speaker at the summit and indisputably the star guest of the talks, resisted international pressure.

"We must work together to promote world economic growth," Wen said. "We should intensify macroeconomic policy coordination, manage with caution the timing and pace of an exit strategy from economic stimulus and keep the exchange rates of major reserve currencies relatively stable."

There was a quick response from the EU. "We believe the



yuan is totally under-valued," said a spokesman for Jean-Claude Juncker, the Luxembourg premier who also heads the eurozone finance ministers group.

"This is contributing to global imbalances. We want China to assume its responsibilities as a world power," Juncker's spokesman Guy Schuller told AFP.

Europe and the United States have butted heads with China over its currency, accusing Beijing of deliberately keeping the yuan artificially low to boost exports, causing a huge trade imbalance.

Opening the two-day talks, European Union president Herman Van Rompuy said: "the EU needs to look East. Not only in words but in facts."

Among sweeteners held out to Asia are more voice on the world's political and economic stage and improved trade, including a historic free trade deal being signed with South Korea on Wednesday during two separate EU summits with Seoul and Beijing.

China too was in the spotlight amid renewed tension between Beijing and Tokyo over disputed islands in the East China Sea.

World Bank warns food prices rising amid currency frictions

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Recent rises in food prices are once again weighing on some developing countries amid growing global currency frictions, World Bank president Robert Zoellick said yesterday.

"For many developing countries, the food crisis of 2008 has never gone away. And recent prices are a serious cause for concern," Zoellick said in a conference call with reporters.

Zoellick said the 187-nation development lender had reinstated a fast-track financial aid program it had used to help countries cope with the 2007-2008 food crisis that wiped out years of development gains.

"The rise in wheat prices over the last few months is affecting the price of other staples due to the increased demand for substitutes. So we'll have to find a way to avoid food crises becoming the new normal," he said in a briefing ahead of annual meetings of the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund in Washington set to open Friday.

Since July, international wheat prices have soared 60-80 percent and maize rose about 40 percent, according to recent UN Food and Agriculture Organization figures.

Zoellick noted the gap between slow economic growth in the developed world and fast

growth in developing countries was causing distortions in global financial markets.

"You've heard the warnings of currency wars," he said.

"Money is chasing yield, it can't find those yields in developed economies and this is not only pushing up currency values in emerging and developing countries, it's also pushing up the price of some assets with the risk of bubbles in property and some commodities."

But questioned by a reporter, Zoellick said he did not foresee the world moving into an "era" of currency wars, but noted the tensions add to the "overall sensitivity" as the global economy recovers from the worst recession since World War II.

Meanwhile, the largest international group of financial institutions urged major economies to take steps to improve policy cooperation, and decried what it saw as rising unilateralism that threatens global stability.

The Institute of International Finance, which groups the major banks of 70 countries, said urgent action was needed to broker agreements on macroeconomic and exchange-rate issues.

"As countries struggle to cope individually with the lack of upward momentum in global growth -- and in many

cases unacceptably high unemployment -- urgent action is needed to arrest the disturbing trend towards unilateral moves on macroeconomic, trade and currency issues," the IIF said in a letter to finance chiefs who will be meeting this week as part of the IMF's International Monetary and Finance Committee.

"Today, these are more pressing than ever issues," Charles Dallara, the IIF managing director, told a news conference.

"You see that in 2010, US, Japanese and Chinese imbalances on the current account have all moved again in the wrong direction."

"If we continue on this path on unilateralism over multilateralism, we could end up in a state that is unstable," Dallara said.

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Le Petit Café is particularly well known for its "Land and Sea" specialty, filet mignon and lobster tail; a gourmet treat when served in their signature fashion. The restaurant also offers a diverse menu of pastas and tempting gourmet appetizers such as seafood crepes, crispy calamari, and escargot. For family members in the mood for something different there are several dishes to choose from, such as chicken parmesan, so a large family with different ideas of what they want for dinner can easily be accommodated.

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There are still some donkeys living in the wild. They

live in groups of 2 to 16, because a donkey can not be alone. They are the largest "wild animals" on Aruba, and are no problem at all, as long as they do not endanger traffic.

The sanctuary provides food, shelter and medical care for these wild animals and helps them get back into nature. Families can visit and learn more about the Aruban donkeys and their habitat.

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Father of the 'test tube baby' Edwards wins Nobel Prize

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AFP) – IVF pioneer Bob Edwards, who brought the joy of parenthood to millions of infertile couples, won the Nobel Prize for Medicine yesterday, more than three decades after the first test tube birth.

In their first announcement of the annual prize season, the Nobel committee hailed the 85-year-old Briton's work as "a milestone in the development of modern medicine" while the original test tube baby offered her congratulations.

"It's fantastic news. Me and mum are so glad that one of the pioneers of IVF has been given the recognition he deserves," said Louise Brown.

"We hold Bob in great affection and are delighted to send our personal congratulations to him and his family at this time."

Her parents, Lesley and John, had been trying to have children for nine years but could not because Lesley Brown's fallopian tubes were blocked.

But thanks to Edwards' work in developing in-vitro fertilisation (IVF), Louise was born at Oldham and District General Hospital in north-west England, weighing five pounds 12 ounces (2.61 kilograms) on July 25, 1978.

The IVF procedure entails taking an egg from a woman and fertilising it in a lab dish with sperm donated from a man.

The egg divides, is allowed to develop into an early-stage embryo and is then inserted in the woman's uterus where, if all goes well, it will become a baby.

After getting his doctorate in 1955 at Edinburgh University, the Manchester-born Edwards then began working on developing the IVF process, first studying germ cells in animals.

Since Brown's birth, nearly four million people have been born through IVF.

"His achievements have made it possible to treat infertility, a medical condition afflicting a large proportion of humanity including more than 10 percent of all couples worldwide," the Nobel Assembly at the Swedish Karolinska Institute said.

Edwards is too frail to give interviews but his wife Ruth said the family was "thrilled and delighted" at the honour.

Martin Johnson, professor

of Reproductive Sciences at Cambridge University, where Edwards carried out his pioneering research, also praised Edwards' determination in the face of controversy.

"Bob's work has always been controversial but he has never shrunk from confronting that controversy," he said, calling the Nobel "long overdue."

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though famous people, including Nobel Prize winners, told me that I would have to do infanticide on the babies."

Today, 20 to 30 percent of eggs fertilised by IVF lead to the birth of a child.

"Long-term follow-up studies have shown that IVF children are as healthy as other children," the Nobel jury said, pointing out that Louise Brown and a number of other



Handout picture, taken on July 12, 2008 shows the world's first IVF baby Louise Brown (2nd R) posing with her son Cameron (R), her mother Lesley Brown (2nd L) and IVF pioneer Professor Robert Edwards, during a celebration ahead of Louise's 30th birthday .

bryology (ESHRE), a reproductive science organisation that Edwards helped found, said his work had changed the field.

"This is a proud day for ESHRE, and just reward for Bob whose pioneering work, often in the face of huge opposition, has brought fulfillment to so many families," the organisation said.

Edwards has in the past however described how controversial his work had been.

"I was called crazy," he told Swedish news agency TT five years ago.

"No one wanted to take the ethical risk. People told me the child would not be normal and wondered what I would do then. But I was never worried, my research had showed that IVF worked just like natural conception," he said.

Edwards worked closely with British gynecologist Patrick Steptoe, who died in 1988. Together they established the Bourn Hall Clinic in Cambridge, the world's first centre for IVF therapy.

After he won the prestigious Albert Lasker award in 2001, Edwards told US broadcaster CBS he and Steptoe "never thought the embryos would be born abnormal, even

IVF children have naturally given birth to children themselves.

"This is probably the best evidence for the safety and success of IVF therapy," the jury said.

Edwards will receive a medal and 10 million Swedish kronor (1.49 million dollars, 1.09 million euros).

The Medicine Prize kicked off a week of prestigious award announcements, with the two most watched, Literature and Peace, to be announced on Thursday and Friday.



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Europe triumph in thrilling Ryder Cup finale



Europe Ryder Cup captain Colin Montgomerie lifts the Ryder Cup after beating the US

NEWPORT (AFP) - Europe defeated the United States to win the Ryder Cup here on Monday, prevailing by 14 1/2 points to 13 1/2 in a thrilling contest to finally overcome a gutsy American fightback.

US Open champion Graeme McDowell was the hero for the Europeans, holding his nerve to close out a three and one victory over world number 16 Hunter Mahan amid joyous scenes at Celtic Manor.

The victory avenged Europe's defeat to the Americans at Valhalla two years ago and was witnessed by an estimated 35,000 fans who turned out in droves to see the first Monday finish in the history of the competition.

"It means the world to us, the European Tour," jubilant Europe skipper Colin Montgomerie said. "I didn't hit a shot but I am so proud; so, so proud."

"I had a great 12 players and I always knew that. I am very proud of all the players -- they played magnificently."

The Europeans had started the day with a commanding three-point lead ahead of the



Europe Ryder Cup player Graeme McDowell celebrates on the 17th green after making the winning putt

12 singles, a huge advantage that left them needing only five points to regain the famous gold trophy.

But the US team revived memories of their famous come-from-behind victory at Brookline in 1999 with a string of victories in the singles matches to put the Europeans under ferocious pressure.

On an afternoon of nerve-shredding drama, the contest came down to a shoot-out be-

tween McDowell and Mahan.

McDowell went two up with two to play after holing a sensational birdie putt on the par-four 16th that left him firmly in the driving seat.

And when Mahan fluffed his chip onto the green at 17 and could only bogey, the American conceded and the Ryder Cup was back in European hands.

The win was a triumph for the tactics of Montgomerie, who had deliberately chosen McDowell to anchor the host team's singles in order to have an experienced man on the course if it went to the wire.

30,000 Turkey fans expected for Germany game

BERLIN (AFP) - Around 30,000 Turkey supporters are expected in Berlin on Friday for their Euro 2012 qualifier against Germany, the German Football Federation (DFB) announced on Monday.

All 74,244 tickets for the match at the Olympic Stadium have been sold, with German chancellor Angela Merkel and Turkish prime minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan set to be in attendance.

Football matches between the two countries are always hotly anticipated affairs, as 1.66 million Turks and 700,000 Germans of Turkish origin live in Germany.

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Dutch drop De Jong after Ben Arfa leg break



was also widely considered fortunate to have escaped punishment for a chest-high foul on Xabi Alonso during the Netherlands' 1-0 defeat by Spain in the World Cup final in July.

French international winger Ben Arfa was stretchered off following a heavy challenge by de Jong after four minutes of Newcastle's 2-1 Premier League defeat at City on Sunday.

Newcastle later announced that the 23-year-old, who is on loan from Marseille, had broken the tibia and fibula of his left leg and is therefore likely to miss much of the rest of the season.

De Jong was not penalised for the challenge.

The Netherlands take on Moldova on October 8 and Sweden on October 12 as part of their Euro 2012 qualifying campaign.

De Jong's place in the Dutch squad has been taken by FC Twente's Wout Brama.

THE HAGUE (AFP) - Manchester City midfielder Nigel de Jong has been dropped from the Dutch squad after breaking Hatem Ben Arfa's leg in a match against Newcastle, Netherlands coach Bert van Marwijk announced on Monday.

Van Marwijk has criticised de Jong for his aggressive play on a number of occasions, notably after recent friendly matches against Japan and Paraguay.

The defensive midfielder

Brown makes history as England qualify

NEW DELHI (AFP) - Archer Danielle Brown became the first English Paralympian to compete at an able-bodied Commonwealth Games event on Monday.

The 22-year-old finished 14th in the Women's Individual Compound event at the Yamuna Sports Complex in New Delhi.

"It's pretty exciting, but I haven't made a big fuss over it," Brown said.

"For me, I'm trying not to get over-excited because I don't want to put myself under any additional pressure."

Brown suffers from reflex sympathetic dystrophy [RSD] which causes immense pain in her feet, and competes using a purpose-built stool.

She won a gold medal at the 2008 Paralympics in Beijing and could be a medal chance in Delhi, but says for now she is just enjoying the

experience.

"It's fantastic, I love being part of the Games and part of the team," she said. "I love learning about other sports in the Games as well."

Archery returns to the Games after a 28-year hiatus and, with the sport not featuring at Glasgow 2014, Brown said she was focused on making the most of her chance here.

"I haven't competed in a major able-bodied event before so it could well be an opportunity of a lifetime," she said.

The England team will be lining up for a shot at a medal in the Women's Team Compound event after Brown, Nicky Hunt and Nichola Simpson, secured the number two ranking behind Canada ahead of Wednesday's Team Elimination rounds.

"I'm ranked at 14, and we were ranked second as a team. It's a really good place to be," Brown said.

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(L-R) Teammates Brooks Conrad #26, Jason Heyward #22, Alex Gonzalez #2, Rick Ankiel #28 and Nate McLouth #24 of the Atlanta Braves celebrate the last out after the game against the Philadelphia Phillies

SAN FRANCISCO (AFP) — The postseason races went down to the wire on the final day of the season as San Francisco and Atlanta punched their playoff tickets and San Diego stumbled their way out of contention.

The Giants captured the NL West title by beating San Diego 3-0 as Jonathan Sanchez and five relief pitchers combined on a four-hit shutout Sunday.

Buster Posey put the exclamation point on the win with a lead-off homer in the eighth inning for the Giants who returned to the playoffs after a six-year hiatus.

"We nailed it," Giants outfielder Pat Burrell said. "It was looking like it was heading the wrong way. Our guys toughed it out."

San Francisco lost the first two games of the season-concluding series, but are now in the playoffs for the first time since 2003.

They'll play the wild-card Atlanta Braves on Thursday at AT&T Park in the playoff series opener with NL East winner Philadelphia squaring off against NL Central champion Cincinnati in the other first-round best-of-five series.

Tampa Bay clinched the AL East when the World Series champion New York Yankees lost at Boston 8-4.

That sent the Rays back home to open the playoffs against Texas, while the wild-card Yankees will start their best-of-five series at Minnesota.

The AL champ will face the National League winner in the best-of-seven championship World Series later this month.

The postseason starts Wednesday in Tampa. The banged-up Braves visit Tim Lincecum and the Giants on Thursday.

Giants ace pitcher Tim

Lincecum is well rested and ready to go for game one against the Braves.

"We're probably not expected to do well," said Braves pitcher Tim Hudson.

Braves 69-year-old manager Bobby Cox, who is retiring, is in the postseason again. Cox's Braves went 4-3 against the Giants this year.

Cox guided Atlanta to 14 consecutive division titles from 1991-2005, but only one World Series championship during that run. He and the Braves are back in the postseason after a four-year absence.

The hapless Padres spoiled a chance to force a Monday playoff with the Giants at Petco Park to decide the West winner. The loser of that would have travelled to Atlanta to determine the wild card had there been a three-way tie.

When Padres Will Venable struck out swinging for the final out, Giants rookie catcher Posey ran out to closer Brian Wilson and they jumped together at the mound. The rest of the Giants mobbed them and crisp NL West champion shirts were quickly pulled on.

The San Francisco players then took a victory lap along the outfield warning track.



Buster Posey #28 and Brian Wilson #38 of the San Francisco Giants celebrate after they beat the San Diego Padres to win

In the American League playoff race, the reigning World Series champion Yankees settled for a wild-card berth Sunday after losing to rival Boston in their regular-season finale.

The defeat left the Yankees at 95-67 while Tampa Bay defeated Kansas City 3-2 in 12 innings to finish at 96-66 to edge the Yankees by

one game for the AL East division title.

"It took a little of the tension off," Rays manager Joe Maddon said. "We wanted to win this game. How 'bout that? Extra innings, on the road, didn't need to win. It tells you something about our ballclub."

The Yankees and Rays both had plenty of chances to pull away in the last week or two.

"It would be stupid to say it doesn't matter how you finish. We would have liked to get this thing done, but we didn't," Yankees pitcher Andy Pettitte said. "The bottom line is: We're the world champs until someone knocks us off."

It'll be CC Sabathia against the Twins' Francisco Lirio in game one, the

first postseason game at new Target Field. The Yankees were 4-2 against Minnesota this year.

Jed Lowrie homered twice and J.D. Drew added another home run for the Red Sox while John Lackey struck out 10 Yankee batters in 7 2/3 innings, but Boston missed the playoffs for only the second time in eight years.

The Yankees had already clinched their 15th playoff appearance in 16 years but went only 29-30 in the last two months of the season.

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Mets fire manager Manuel

NEW YORK (AFP) - The New York Mets have fired manager Jerry Manuel and general manager Omar Minaya on Monday, following their second straight Major League Baseball losing season.

The Mets said a search is

under way for a new general manager, who will work with the team to hire a new manager.

Manuel is the seventh manager this season to lose his job. The final guaranteed year of his contract expired, and the Mets declined to ex-

ercise the club's option.

The Mets were 79-83 this year, a disappointing 18 games behind Philadelphia in the National League East.

Manuel was promoted from bench coach on an interim basis after the 2008 firing of Willie Randolph.

Noah agrees to Bulls extension

CHICAGO (AFP) - The Chicago Bulls have confirmed that they have agreed to a multi-year contract extension with centre Joakim Noah.

The National Basketball Association club announced the deal Monday but did not release details of the contract.

Bulls general manager Gar Forman says Noah's presence "is immeasurable and we look forward to him to continue to improve and develop his game."

The American media reported the deal could be worth more than 50 million dollars over five years. Noah

will make about 3.1 million dollars this season.

France's Noah has blossomed into a star for the Bulls, averaging 10.7 points and 11.0 rebounds last season. He recorded the first 20 point and 20 rebound game in Bulls' playoff history against Cleveland.



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